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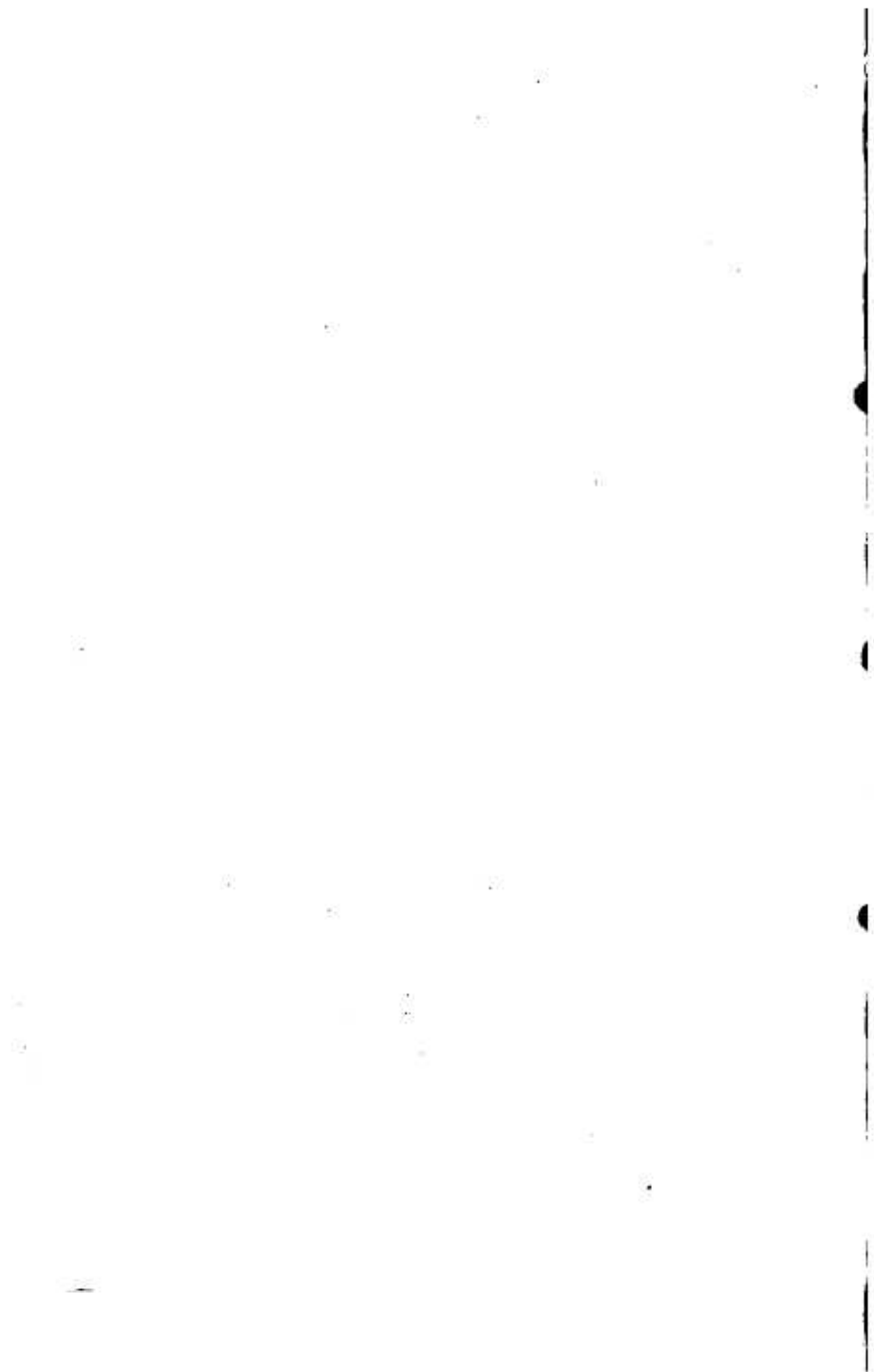
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My father, Andrew J.,—"Jack," with his family and friends—was a cabinet maker. After his early death, in 1868, I used to see in the garret some account books which had been by him solely devoted to copying favorite poems, being done in a very neat hand.

My mother, lately deceased, was Marion Bellows before marriage. She was always fond of the best literature obtainable, from the Bible to works of mere men and women.

For the above and obvious reasons I am bringing their names into this little book,
IN MEMORIAM.

H. J. A.



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BE THANKFUL ANYWAY

Join in the dance,
Meet Fortune's glance,
No more your grief betray;
 But hail the dame
 With fair acclaim,—
 Be thankful anyway!

Past grief is dead,
Lift up your head,
Despair then cannot stay;
 The future, now
 May show you how,—
 Be thankful anyway!

If dismal wraith
Assail your faith,
Be valiant for the fray;
 Meet glad sunshine
 With hope divine—
 Be thankful anyway!